

REMARKS

Claims 26, 28, 30-31 and 48-54 are pending in the application.. Claims 1-24 have been previously canceled. Claims 25, 27, 29, and 32-39 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 40-47 have been withdrawn. Claims 26, 28, 30, and 31 have been amended. New claims 48-54 have been added. No new matter has been added.

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments and reasons provided above, it is believed that all pending claims are in condition for allowance. The amendments clarify the patentable invention without adding new subject matter. Applicant respectfully requests favorable reconsideration and early allowance of all pending claims.

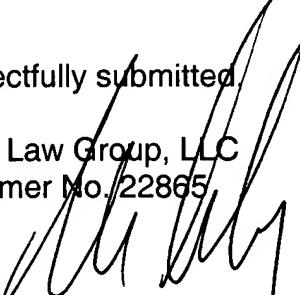
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